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INCREASE LOCOMOTIVE FREIGHT HAULS IN BULGARIA;  
POLISH RAILROAD BEING ELECTRIFIED

HAUL ABOVE-NORM FREIGHT -- Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 25 Feb 52

During January 1952, locomotives of the Stalin Depot hauled 45,000 tons  
 in above-norm freight trains, and from 1 to 14 February 1952, 31,375 tons.

During one month, five trains hauled a total of 7,962 tons.

Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 1 Apr 52

During 1951, locomotives hauled 670,000 tons in above-norm freight trains  
 out of Sofia depot. This above-norm tonnage was distributed among 670 trains.  
 Thus, each train carried an average of 1,000 tons of freight.

To fulfill the Five-Year Plan in 4 years, Sofia railroad men pledged to  
 haul 700,000 tons of above-norm freight during 1952. Thus far, the heavy-load  
 movement has been joined by 33 locomotive brigades. From the beginning of  
 1952 to the end of March, these brigades hauled 291,158 tons in above-norm  
 freight trains, as compared to the 85,158 tons hauled during the same period  
 in 1951.

Stalin, Stalinsko Zname, 3 Jan 52

During the past 12 months, 2,315 Bulgarian freight trains carried 406,790  
 tons of freight above the norm.

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DEVELOP BULGARIAN MOTOR VEHICLE TRANSPORTATION -- Berlin, Der Verkehr, No 2,  
Feb 52

In recent years 2,600 kilometers of highways, connecting approximately 1,000 places, have been built in Bulgaria. The government is endeavoring to develop motor traffic in that section of the country where the railroad network has not yet been developed. With the aid of the USSR, the number of motor vehicles was considerably increased. Bulgaria now has several large repair shops and can produce a number of spare parts.

ELECTRIFY POLISH RAILROAD -- Berlin, Der Verkehr, No 2, Feb 52

The Katowice-Warsaw line is now being electrified. A branch line of the electrified line goes to Lodz. The first trains -- passenger as well as freight -- to Lodz and Piotrkow will operate in 1953.

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